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Applicant: Kurk, et al.

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on June 4, 2003.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R.§1.136(a)

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a request under 37 C.F.R.§1.136(a) for a further one-month extension of time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action dated December 4, 2002, said period of response being extended from May 4, 2003 to June 4, 2003.

Our check in the amount of \$520.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity. It is noted in computing the \$520.00 fee, Applicants are deducting the previously paid two-month extension fee of \$410.00 (\$930.00 - \$410.00 = \$520.00).

Please consider this a petition to extend the time to respond if an additional extension of time is deemed necessary by the Office. Authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account Number 50-1038 if such additional extension is necessary.

Respectfully submitted.

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